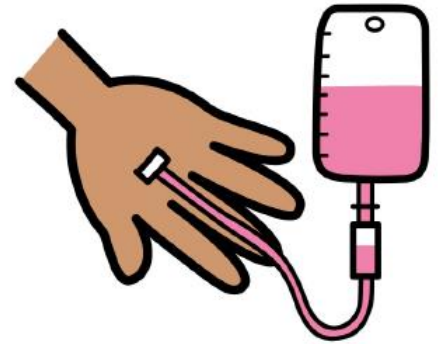


Getting an IV

Today I will get an IV. An IV is a small straw the nurse will put in my arm or hand. It will give me water and medicine. It is safe.



First, I will roll up my sleeve or change into a hospital gown if I am not already in one.



The nurse will clean a spot on my arm by wiping it with a damp pad. It might feel cold and smell funny. It is ok, though, because it does not hurt.

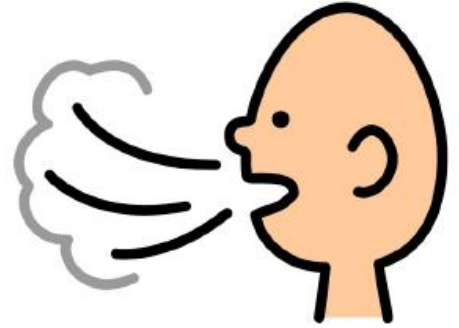


The nurse will wrap a band around my arm. This will feel tight, but it will not hurt me!

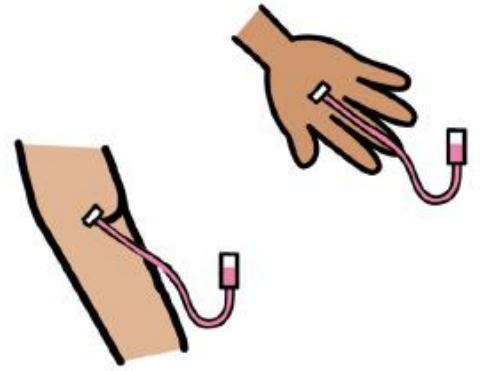


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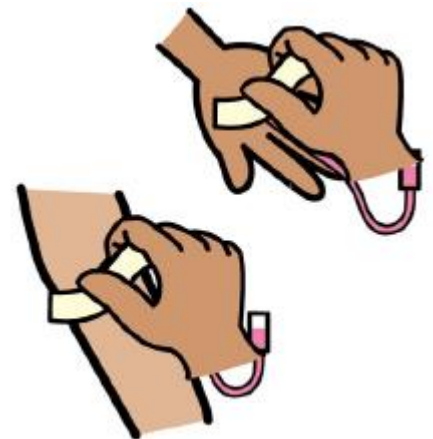
It is time for the IV. If I am nervous, I can choose to look away and ask someone to hold my hand. I can also take some deep breaths.



The nurse will put the IV in my hand or arm. It might feel like a quick pinch. It is important that I stay still.

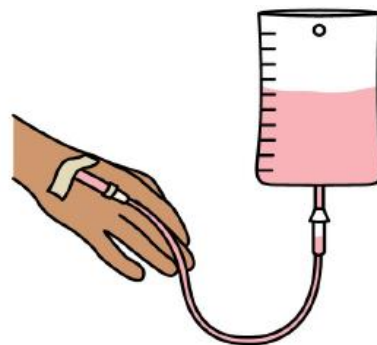


The nurse will put tape over the IV. This might feel funny, but it will not hurt me!



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The nurse may connect the IV to a bag of medicine or water. This will go through the tube to make me feel better.



I will not touch or pull on my IV.



I can still do many of my favorite things while I have the IV in.



When it is time to go home, my nurse will take off the tape and take out the IV. I will be given a band aid if I want one.

